

Application No. 09/743,818
Response to Office Action dated 11/29/2006
January 29, 2007

REMARKS

Claims 93, 112, 113, 115 –131, 133 - 135 are pending. Claim 132 is cancelled.

Claim 93 is amended to correct the misspelling of “susceptibility”.

No new matter is added by this amendment.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC §112

Claims 93, 112 - 113 and 117-134 are rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as lacking written description. Claims 92, 112, 113, 116, 117, 123, 125, 127, 129, 130 and 131 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for being unclear as to what residue is being replaced.

The correction to the replacement Sequence Listing, which introduced confusion regarding the referenced amino acid residue numbers, is believed to render these rejections moot.

Claims 116, 123, 125 and 127 have also been amended to clarify that reference is made to the sequences before mutation. No new matter is added by this amendment.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is requested.